

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-25 (Cancelled).

Claim 26 (Currently Amended) A method of joining at least two tools having housings and rotatable elements together at adjustable angles, the method comprising the steps of:

- a) providing each tool housing with a respective universally engageable mating interlock configuration in the vicinity of one of the rotatable elements;
- b) engaging the universally engageable interlock configuration on each tool housing so that the tool housings are interlocked together with the rotatable elements aligned;
- c) passing a torque transmitting element through at least one of the aligned rotatable elements; and
- d) providing a retaining element engageable with the torque transmitting element to secure the interlocked tool housings together to form a rotary torque transmitting joint, with the rotatable elements providing a torque transmitting and coupling function.

Claims 27-36 (Cancelled).

Claim 37 (Currently Amended) The method of claim 26, wherein the step of providing each tool housing with a respective universally engageable mating interlock configuration includes the step of forming a series of identical, spaced lugs on each tool housing encircling and projecting beyond an end of the respective rotatable element.

Claim 38 (New) A method of joining at least two tools having housings and rotatable elements together at adjustable angles, the method comprising the steps of:

- a) providing one tool with a male rotatable element;

b) providing the other tool with a female rotatable element engageable with the male rotatable element;

c) providing each tool housing with a respective universally engageable mating interlock configuration in the vicinity of one of the rotatable elements;

d) engaging the universally engageable interlock configuration on each tool housing so that the tool housings are interlocked together with the rotatable elements aligned and engaged; and

e) providing a retaining element to secure the interlocked tools together to form a rotary torque transmitting joint.

Claim 39 (New) The method of claim 38, wherein the step of providing each tool housing with a respective universally engageable mating interlock configuration includes the step of forming a series of identical, spaced lugs on each tool housing encircling and projecting beyond an end of the respective rotatable element.

Claim 40 (New) A method of joining at least two tools having housings and rotatable elements together at instantly adjustable angles, the method comprising the steps of:

a) positioning the tools so that the rotatable elements are aligned;

b) passing a torque transmitting element through at least one of the aligned rotatable elements; and

c) providing a retaining element engageable with the torque transmitting element to secure the tool housings together to form a rotary torque transmitting joint, with the rotatable elements providing a torque transmitting and coupling function.

Claim 41 (New) A method of joint at least two tools having housings and rotatable elements together at instantly adjustable angles, the method comprising the steps of:

a) providing one tool with a male rotatable element;

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b) providing the other tool with a female rotatable element engageable with the male rotatable element;

c) engaging the male and female rotatable elements together; and

d) providing a retaining element to secure the joined tools together to form a rotary torque transmitting joint.